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Major-General Walter Bedell Smith
Central Intelligence Agency
c/o Adjutant General, U. S. Army
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Smith:

Next summer the Institute of International Affairs of the University of Wyoming is sponsoring its eighth annual program devoted to problems of American foreign policy. Because the theme of the new institute is to be "Inside Russia," we would very much like to have you deliver the keynote address.

While this annual affair is to extend for five weeks, from July 15 to August 15, we would have in mind your appearing sometime early in the first week. Should your time permit one or two additional lectures on the problem of Russia as it relates to American foreign policy, we would be more than happy to make the necessary arrangements. Or, should that particular week in July not be available on your schedule, we could easily shift to another date.

You will find enclosed a descriptive brochure of last summer's deliberations that will give you some idea of the sort of thing we are trying to do out here. Your lecture or lectures would be featured before a combined university and community convocation audience. If you desired, radio outlets could be arranged.

Our invitation is coupled with the thought that you might find it possible to combine a trip to "Wonderful Wyoming" with vacation plans. Not only could we guarantee you the pleasures of a delightful climate at a time when Washington heat is especially oppressive, we could assure other delights of trout fishing, scenery, and many other pleasurable pursuits.

Appreciated is the fact that you likely could not speak in public in regard to your present responsibility as director of the C.I.A. We thought, nevertheless, that you could draw upon your experiences as ambassador for the substance of your remarks.

Should you be interested, what would the cost to us be? While we strive to operate on a shoe-string budget, we do have funds available.

Very sincerely yours,

Gale W. McGee, Chairman
Institute of International Affairs

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